Amendment No. 1 to SB2321

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2321*

House Bill No. 2540

by adding the following new language immediately preceding the effective date section and by renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION ___. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-32-306, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a)

- (1) There is created a state board for licensing alarm systems contractors, called the "board" in this part. The board shall be composed of five (5) members, to be appointed by the governor. At least one (1) member shall be a person who is not engaged in the contracting business in any county of this state. The remaining members of the board shall be alarm systems contractors as defined in § 62-32-303, all of whom shall have been actively engaged in the business for a period of no less than four (4) years next preceding their appointment and may be appointed from lists of qualified persons submitted by interested burglar and fire alarm organizations including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Burglar and Fire Alarm Association. No more than two (2) members of the board shall be residents of the same grand division of the state. In making appointments to the board, the governor shall strive to ensure that at least one (1) person serving on the board is sixty (60) years of age or older and that at least one (1) person serving on the board is a member of a racial minority.
- (2) The governor shall consult with interested groups including, but not limited to, the organizations listed in subdivision (a)(1) to determine qualified persons to fill positions on the board.

- (b) All subsequent appointments of successor members shall be made by the governor at the expiration of the respective terms of the members.
- (c) In the event of a vacancy on the board for any reason and the governor failing to appoint a successor within ninety (90) days after the vacancy occurs, the board is empowered to fill that vacancy from lists of nominees submitted by the interested burglar and fire alarm organizations described in subsection (a), until the governor makes an appointment.